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Reorganization of "Enlightenment Branch"

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ORIGIN

SUBJECT

- General Ludvik Svoboda, Minister for National Defense, has finally yielded to pressure and agreed to reorganize the "Enlightenment Branch" of the Czechoslovak Army. Changes are to be carried out as quietly as possible during the next few days.
- 2. The purpose of the reorganization is to reduce the number of Communists on the "Enlightenment" staff, and to make the personnel more representative of the present strengths of the six Czechoslovak political parties.
- 3. However, General Jaroslav Prochazka, a Communist, is to remain as head of the organization. 25X1A

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Comment: Enlightenment Section of the Czechoslovak Army has been under attack from non-Communist political leaders for some time as "a vital branch of the National Defense almost entirely under Communist control." Prochazka has previously been listed as a Lt. Col., and his name did not appear in the Czechoslovak Independence Day promotion list on 28 October 1946.

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